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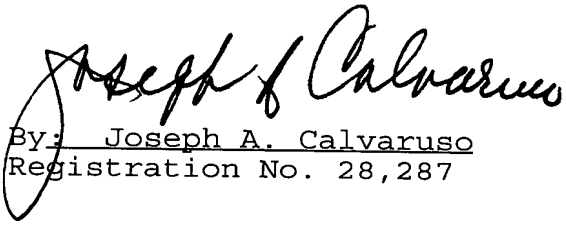
The above amendments have been made to conform with United States claim drafting criteria, eliminate character  
10 references and eliminate multiple dependent claims. No new matter was added to the application as a result of this amendment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this amendment, or  
15 to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 3401-4022. The Examiner is requested to telephone applicant's undersigned counsel at the number noted below if it will advance the prosecution of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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